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For: **NUCLEIC ACIDS TO PRO1387 POLYPEPTIDES**  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**MS: AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 19, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed within the shortened statutory period set for the response and therefore, no fees are necessary. Attached is an Information Disclosure Statement with necessary fees. Consideration of the IDS is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.